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## **Minutes**

## **Senate Banking and Insurance Committee**

February 11, 2019 2:00 p.m. 451-M

**Members Present:** Senators Azinger (Chair), Clements (Vice Chair), Blair, Swope, Facemire, Hamilton, Jeffries, Palumbo, Romano, Rucker, Tarr, and Weld

Member Absent: Senator Prezioso

Chair Azinger called the meeting to order. The Committee Clerk took a silent roll call and noted the presence of a quorum.

Vice Chair Clements moved the minutes from the meeting on February 4, 2019. Upon voice vote, the minutes were adopted.

## S. B. 465 - Exempting nonpaid volunteers at VFD or emergency services organization from Workers Compensation benefits.

Chair Azinger recognized Committee Counsel, Marey Casey, to explain the bill and the proposed committee substitute in lieu of having them read. Counsel explained the bill and the committee substitute and answered questions from the committee. With leave of the committee, Chair Azinger recognized and swore in Erin Hunter, Acting Insurance Commissioner and General Counsel, who answered questions from the committee. With leave of the committee, Chair Azinger recognized and swore in Randy James, President of WV State Fire Chiefs and Captain of the Frametown Fire Department. Mr. James answered questions from members of the committee. Ms. Hunter was asked to return to the podium to answer more questions of the committee. With leave of the committee, Chair Azinger recognized and swore in Jane Cline, representing the National Council for Compensation Insurers. Ms. Cline answered questions from members of the committee.

Chair Azinger stated that it being 3 p.m., the bill would have to be carried over. Vice Chair Clements moved to adjourn. Upon voice vote, the motion was adopted. Meeting adjourned.

	Michael T. Azinger, Chair
Marey Casey, Committee Counsel	
Tina Burs, Committee Clerk	